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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
PWPI, USPTO, PCT, Google Scholar (microwave, imaging, tomography, breast cancer, tumor, synthetic focus, synthetic aperture, etc.)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A, P	US 2005/0107693 A1 (FEAR et al), 19 May 2005 the whole document	1-33
A	US 2003/0088180 A1 (VAN VEEN et al), 8 May 2003 the whole document	1-33
A	E. J. Bond et al, <i>Microwave Imaging via Space-Time Beamforming for Early Detection of Breast Cancer</i> , IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation, 51(8), pp. 1690-705, August 2003	1-33
A	US 2004/0167399 A1 (LI), 26 August 2004 the whole document	1-33

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US	2004167399	WO	2004073618			
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